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OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING (UPDATE)

RIVERSIDE, CA – On Saturday, October 31, 2015, at about 04:31 am, two Riverside Police Department patrol officers were engaged in a traffic stop in the area of Fourteenth Street and Howard Avenue when they heard gunshots being fired in the area. As additional responding officers arrived in the area of Fourteenth Street and Forrest Street, they were fired upon by a suspect with a handgun. A call for help was broadcast and several additional RPD units responded to the area.

In the area of Howard Avenue and Cottage Street, two other uniformed officers who were responding to the help call, also came under fire. An officer-involved shooting resulted. A suspect has been taken into custody and transported to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. None of the officers were injured and the suspect's handgun was located at the scene.

Detectives from the Robbery / Homicide Unit responded to the scene and assumed the investigation. They were assisted by technicians from the Forensic Unit and representatives from the Riverside County District Attorney's Office.

The suspect in the shooting has been identified as 37-year-old, Riverside resident, Roberto Jimenes, who is recovering from his injuries at a local hospital. This is an active and ongoing investigation and no further details will be released at this time.



The officers involved in the shooting have been placed on administrative leave per Riverside Police Department policy. The Riverside Police Department encourages anyone with information regarding this incident to contact Detective Rick Wheeler at 951-353-7134 or Detective Rick Cobb at 951-353-7135.

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